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In re Application of

Stefan RUETZ et al

Art Unit:

Application No: 10/019,171

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For: APPLIANCE FOR DISPENSING SCENTS AND
AN AROMA STORE (SCENT CHIP)

REPLY TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a reply to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed March 5, 2002.

The Notification calls for a translation of the International application into English. A verified English translation of the International application was filed at the Patent and Trademark Office on February 7, 2002, as evidenced by the enclosed copy of the return postcard. Copies of the English translation and the accompanying Preliminary Amendment are enclosed.

The Notification states that the Declaration was not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 (for an oath) or 37 CFR 1.68 (for a declaration). Applicant filed a Declaration rather than an oath and accordingly 37 CFR 1.66 is not applicable. 37 CFR 1.68 requires that the declarant be warned on the same document that willful false statement and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon and that the declarant must set forth in the body of the declaration that all statements made on the declarant's own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. The last paragraph on page 2 of the Declaration that was filed on December 21, 2001 meets the requirements of 37 CFR 1.68.

The Notification further states that all inventors listed on the International application are not included on the declaration.

The International application lists ✓Stefan Ruetz, ✓Gerhard Probst, ✓Peter Schatz, ✓Christian Breu and ✓Heinz Wagensohn as inventors. The

Declaration for Patent Application that was included in the items filed on December 21, 2001, was signed by each of these named inventors. The order in which the inventors appear in the Declaration is different from the order in which they are named in the International application, but there is no requirement that the names be in the same order.

The required copy of the Notice is enclosed. Since the Declaration was filed before 30 months from the priority date, no surcharge for belated filing of the Declaration is required.

Respectfully submitted,



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Receipt is hereby acknowledged in the United States Patent and Trademark Office of
the following as of the date stamped hereon:

Verified English Translation (with attachments)

Preliminary Amendment

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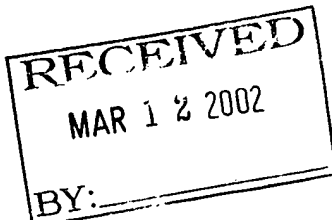


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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Oath or Declaration
- Request for Immediate Examination
- Small Entity Statement

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
 - All inventors listed on International Application are not included on Declaration.
- \$65 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

- \$65 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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